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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Response to GAO on Missile Technology Control Regime

1. On 12 December, the undersigned responded to Mr. Plunkett of the GAO on their request to review implementation of the Missile Technology Control Regime agreement. Mr. Plunkett and the undersigned have had discussions since mid-November on the subject; however, each discussion has lead to additional questions from Mr. Plunkett. On 12 December, he was told that we would prefer for the GAO to talk to our major consumers as we are providing information to them in a routine manner. It was recommended that the Departments of State and Defense be contacted to answer questions about the intelligence process. If after discussions with them there are specific questions remaining, he will again contact us. The attached paragraph from [ ] Asst NIO SP, was used as the basis for our response.

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2. In our earlier discussions, Mr. Plunkett had requested to talk with [ ] an analyst in OSWR. The undersigned denied his request after discussions with [ ] Chief of OSWR's Action Staff. It was decided that [ ] is an analyst and the request to speak to him centered on commitment of resources, something he would not be qualified to address.

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The Intelligence Community provides intelligence support to those inter-agency bodies responsible for implementation of the Missile Technology Control Regime. As with most other areas of US foreign and defense policy, this support is of a routine and continuing nature, and involves chiefly the provision of intelligence data to the policymaking community. We therefore suggest that you contact those elements of the Departments of State and Defense with principal responsibilities for carrying out the MTCR. They are better placed to answer your questions about the process both within the US Government and among the MTCR signatories.

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